

## House Resolution No. 1806

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Optimist Club of Rolla, Missouri, which will commemorate the resplendent occasion of its Fortieth Anniversary during a special celebration banquet to be held April 24, 2004; and

**Whereas**, chartered on May 27, 1964, the Optimist Club of Rolla is a voluntary organization of civic-minded men and women banded together for progressive thought and action in community services; and

**Whereas**, Optimist Club membership is composed of citizens drawn from business, industry, agriculture, and other professions, and are motivated by the desire to contribute to their community; and

**Whereas**, the Optimist Club of Rolla sponsors a wide variety of initiatives for area students, including youth fishing days, oratorical contests, essay contests, spelling bees, youth appreciation programs, respect-for-law programs, educator of the year recognition, and financial scholarships for graduating seniors; and

**Whereas**, the Optimist International Organization is a youth-oriented service organization which exists to support youngsters in a variety of ways; and

**Whereas**, the Optimist Club of Rolla leads the community in many boys and girls youth sports activities and sponsors and mentors high school students in the Octagon Club to encourage community volunteerism and leadership training; and

**Whereas**, the Optimist Club of Rolla hosts several community fundraising events which include Christmas tree sales, Old Baggers Day, Candy Canisters, Flap-Jack Day, and calendar sales:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to all those dedicated members and leaders of the Optimist Club of Rolla upon this very special anniversary celebration, and in wishing them only the very best of success as they continue to promote the aims and purposes of their fine organization; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Optimist Club of Rolla, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Bob May  
District No. 149

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1806, adopted April 19, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker